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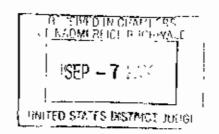
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Honorable Naomi Reice Buchwald United States District Judge Southern District of New York United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, Rm. 2270 New York, New York 10007



United States v. Manuel Soriano-Martinez et S7 07 Cr. 308 (NRB)

Dear Judge Buchwald:

An arraignment and pre-trial conference were scheduled in the above-referenced case for September 5, 2007. After speaking with Your Honor's law clerk on September 4, 2007, the arraignment of all nine defendants on the S7 07 Cr. 308 (NRB) Indictment was referred to Magistrate Court, and the pre-trial conference before Your Honor was adjourned to September 21, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. The arraignment in Magistrate Court is scheduled for September 10, 2007, at 10:30 a.m.

The Government respectfully requests that time be excluded from today until September 21, 2007 under the Speedy Trial Act pursuant to 18 U.S.C. \$ 3161(h)(8)(A) to permit the Government to gather and produce discovery and because the ends of justice outweigh the defendant's and the public's interest in a speedy trial. I have spoken to defense counsel for all nine

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defendants, and each has indicated that there is no objection to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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